Recreation Committee Meeting
5:00pm, Monday, July 13, 2020
Virtual Meeting via Zoom call due to COVID-19 Pandemic
broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Present: Council members Moye and Smith
Absent: Council Member Popson
Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Page

2. Approval of the previous meeting’s minutes – June 1, 2020

MOTION: Council Member Moye made a motion to approve and Council Member Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Citizens’ Comments – attached to the minutes

4. Departmental Reports – Director Page

Director Page reviewed highlights of her activities report. She noted the Recreation Center has been relatively busy. There have been two full girls’ volleyball camps. Registration for fall sports begins later in the month. Director Page said she would like to hold a virtual beach run on July 25 to limit possible exposure. Committee members agreed it is a good idea. There have been no changes to the Half Rubber Tournament nor the IOP Connector Run as of yet. Exercise classes, allowing for limited attendance, have been well attended. The Farmer’s Market has been postponed until August. Other classes such as Saturday Yoga and Tae Kwon Do continue with attendance limitations.

Director Page reported on the effects of a Camp Sunshine counselor testing positive for COVID-19. She said the camp was shut down for two weeks while the Recreation Center was disinfected. Camper participation is at 60% and all are IOP residents. Administrator Fragoso said there was no spread of the virus among the staff. Director Page said that staff has been thoroughly sanitizing the cardio room and other classrooms as they are used. In addition, Recreation Center staff has helped disinfecting the police trailer and Council Chambers. Administrator Fragoso noted the situation is very fluid, staff is responding day by day, and they are very comfortable with what is being done and offered to citizens.

5. Old Business – none
6. **New Business**  

A. **Consideration of surfing lessons at the Recreation Center**  

Director Page reported the progress being made on this effort. She has met with potential instructors and found a lifeguard certification class for them to take the first or second week of August. She anticipates classes starting at the beginning of September. As children will likely be back in school by then, she is considering hosting lessons from 4:30-6:30 and possibly a family surfing class on Saturday. She will know more of what is needed when registration begins. Council Member Moye thanked Director Page for her hard work but noted his disappointment in the outcome of the RFP process.

B. **Discussion of outlook for classes and activities in the fall**  

Director Page said she has been in contact with Audubon and DNR about offering virtual classes through the Recreation Department. She said she hopes to start classes in the fall, but they will be staggered so that there will not be a lot of people traversing the hallways and there will be time to clean the rooms.

C. **Discussion of beach parking at the Recreation Center**  

Committee members discussed whether it is necessary to regulate parking around the Recreation Center. Administrator Fragoso said the only area being considered is on Hartnett Boulevard between 27th and 28th Avenues. She added that the demand for parking in that area is now less than it was when the beach first reopened. She would like to have more research done before any decisions are made about making changes to the area. Administrator Fragoso shared that the Public Safety Committee recommendations include adding the area to be regulated pending feedback from the Recreation Committee and City Council. Council Member Moye suggested increasing enforcement in the area during busier times.

7. **Miscellaneous Business**  

The next meeting of the Recreation Committee will be on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 5pm.

8. **Adjournment**

Council Member Moye made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Smith seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane  
City Clerk